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May 23, 2023

Dear Jonathon Michel:

**Notice: Non-Compliance with Regulator's Direction (OA-2022-001-AC)**

On April 20, 2023, I issued a notice of non-compliance to Aurora College for failure to respond to Information Requests issued by the Regulator under section 19(1) of the *Oil and Gas Operations Act* (OGOA) within the deadlines provided.

Also on April 20, 2023, I directed Aurora College to respond to any additional Information Requests from the Regulator within one week.

On May 17, 2023, I Issued Information Request No. 4 for Aurora College's Operations Authorization application OA-2022-001-AC. I set a response deadline of May 24, 2023, one week after the request was issued.

On May 19, 2023, Lorne Hammer of Canadian Petroleum Engineering Inc. (CPE), consultants to Aurora College, wrote to the Office of the Regulator of Oil and Gas Operations (OROGO) stating that it will "endeavour to respond [to the Information Request] by end of business Friday, May 24". CPE corrected its statement on May 21, 2023, to read "CPE will endeavour to respond by end of Business on Friday May 26, 2023".

CPE's correspondence does not acknowledge the Regulator's direction on response to Information Requests, does not request approval for an extension of the deadline, and does not contain a commitment to respond to Information Request No. 4 by a specific date.

If Aurora College does not respond to Information Request No. 4 by the original deadline, it will have failed to comply with the direction of the Regulator. Such a failure may result in further enforcement activity, up to and including an order by the Regulator under section 20 of OGOA.

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Failure to comply with an order of the Regulator made under OGOA is an offence under section 114(1) of OGOA, which provides, in part, that every person is guilty of an offence who fails to comply with an order of the Regulator made under OGOA and is liable, on summary conviction, to a fine not exceeding \$1,000,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years, or to both (section 114(2) of OGOA).

In addition, upon being convicted of an offence, the court may order that person to comply with the order (see section 115 of OGOA). If an offence is committed on or continued for more than one day, the offence is considered to be a separate offence for each day on which the offence is committed or continued (see section 116 of OGOA).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Pauline de Jong', is written over the typed name.

Pauline de Jong  
Regulator

- c. Glenda Vardy Dell, President, Aurora College  
Lorne Hammer, Canadian Petroleum Engineering Inc.  
Ron McCosh, Canadian Petroleum Engineering Inc.